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Castro Still Holds 27 Yanks

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WASHINGTON, April 17.—Official U. S. sources reported today Fidel Castro's Cuban regime is still holding 27 American citizens on charges of "counter-revolutionary activities."

It is for this group that Brooklyn lawyer James B. Donovan, who has achieved freedom for many Americans held by Castro, hopes to begin negotiations within a month.

Held at the Isle of Pines under a sentence of 30 years:

Thomas Lewis Baker, 30 a native of Donaldsville, Ga.; James D. Beane, 34, native of North Carolina; George Richard Beck, 26, native of Massachusetts; Antonio Garcia Crews; Rafael Siero del Pino, 27, native of Cuba; Pedro Fuentes Cid, 24.

Also, Alford Eugene Gibson, served at the Isle of Pines by

26, native of North Carolina; Donald Joe Greene, 29, native of Canada; Richard Allen Pecoraro, 30, place of birth unknown; Leonard L. Schmidt, 24, native of Chicago, and Austin F. Young Jr., 42, native of Indianapolis.

Held at Oriente Province prison under 30-year sentence is Vidal Guillermo.

Under 20-year sentence at the Isle of Pines are:

Juan Pedro Koop, 56; Gilberto Rodriguez-Lernandez, 42, and native of Cuba.

A 12-year sentence is being

Alberto Herman Saez.

Held at the Isle of Pines under 10-year sentences are:

Leslie Norman Bradley, 35, native of Minneapolis; Daniel L. Carawell, 45, native of Ashland, Pa.; Eustace H. Danerung, 38, native of Cleveland; John Robert Gentile, 31, native of Cleveland; Joaquin Angel Ossario, 43, native of Cuba; Darío Fernando Prohías Bello, 44, native of Cuba; and Edmund Konrad Transky, 33, native of Boston.

Undetermined sentences are being served in unidentified Cuban prisons by:

Jack O'Jalvo, 48, native of New York; Joseph Anthony Saez, 18, native of New York; John M. Spritto, 38, native of San Pedro, Calif.; Francisco Trujillo, 30, native of Cuba; and Ramon Williams, 42, native of Cuba.